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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application prior to substantive examination as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- On Pages 117 and 118, please replace the second and first partially complete paragraphs respectively with the following text:

The Cub-RUra3 reporter module was constructed by PCR amplification. The fragment covered residues 35-76 of UBI4 and a SalI and BamHI site to bring the fragment in front of the LACI-URA3 gene fusion (Ghislain et al., 1996). The sequence between the C terminus of Cub and the LACI sequence of the RURA3 reads: **GGT GGT AGG** CAC GGA TCC (SEQ ID NO: 1). The last two residues of the Cub and the N-terminal arginine of the RURA3 are printed in bold letters; the BamHI site is underlined. SEC63-Cub-RURA3 was constructed by PCR amplification of the last 445 base pairs (bp) of the coding sequence of SEC63 not including the stop codon by using genomic DNA of S. cerevisiae as a template. The ends of the PCR product